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Communication System Using Distributed Amplification*

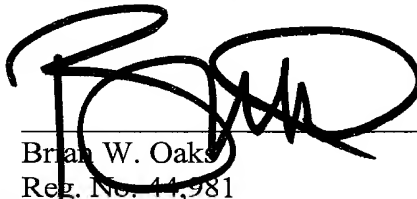
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REQUEST FOR STATUS

Please advise us of the status of the above-identified Application. Applicants filed a Reply Brief on February 12, 2007. To date, Applicants have not received any further correspondence regarding this Application. If a telephone conversation would help clear up any matters, please call the undersigned Attorney for Applicants, Brian W. Oaks, at 214.953.6986.

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